

ST. LOUIS PARTY  
BACK FROM TOURA. D. Brown and His Family and  
Doctor J. T. M. Johnston and  
Son Return From a Journey  
Through Europe.

Alanson D. Brown of No. 616 Lindell boulevard, president of the Hamilton-Brown Shoe Company, with his wife and daughter, Miss Ruth Brown; Doctor J. T. M. Johnston, pastor of the Federal Avenue Baptist Church, and son, Laurence Johnston, returned Saturday night from Europe, where they were members of a St. Louis party that spent more than two months visiting places of interest in the Old World.

Doctor W. J. Williamson and wife, Mrs. Jeanie M. Hall, sister of Mr. Brown, and the Misses Helen and Berta Brown, other members of the party, did not return with them. Doctor Williamson is pastor of the First Baptist Church.

Upon arrival at Union Station Mr. Brown was met by several hundred salesmen, factory employees and other attaches of the Hamilton-Brown Shoe Company, while the other returning members of the party were met by friends and relatives. Mr. Brown received an ovation as he alighted from the big Pullman train, which arrived at 10:30 p. m.

He acknowledged the hearty reception, shook hands with his employees and remarked that he was glad to see them and glad to be with them again. The party entered carriages and were driven to their respective homes.

Mr. Brown, his wife and daughter and Doctor Johnston and son are in excellent health and report a most enjoyable and interesting tour.

Doctor Johnston and his wife were on the same ship going over with the Brown family, but did not return with them. Mrs. Johnston is the sister of Mrs. Brown.

They will sail on the steamer Celtic, leaving tomorrow, and his wife and daughter will remain in St. Louis.

They will take passage for New York August 25.

The St. Louis party made the tour of the Old World together. They visited all of the most interesting places, including London, Paris, Rome, Vienna, Berlin, Copenhagen, Stockholm, and other cities.

At London, Doctor Johnston and his wife and daughter were met by their friends and relatives.

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NEW SOLID FINANCIAL INSTITUTION  
OPENS ITS DOORS TO-DAYWell-Known Merchant Princes Will Pilot the City National Bank,  
Eleventh and Franklin Avenue.

MAURICE LANDAU, PRESIDENT OF THE CITY NATIONAL BANK.

The opening of the new City National Bank, located at Eleventh and Franklin avenues, today marks the beginning of an institution that promises to make history in the commercial progress of St. Louis.

With such successful commercial heads at the helm the future of this bank appears decidedly rosy.

Maurice Landau is president of the new institution. He is president of the Globe Shoe and Clothing Company, one of the well-known department houses of the city.

J. A. Allan, president of the Allan-Pfeiffer Chemical Company, is first vice president.

P. J. Farrington, secretary of the St. Louis House Furniture Company, is second vice president and H. R. Reine is cashier.

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ALMOST ALL OF TERRITORY  
TRADE COMES TO ST. LOUISSix of Eight Tulsa Merchants Depart for Missouri Metropolis to  
Purchase Fall Stocks—Reported Sentiment Against City Falls  
to Materialize—Friendship of Missouri Toward Statehood  
Movement Considered as Cause of Entente Cordiale—Crop and  
Oil Conditions Indicate Expansion in Business.

GREAT COMMERCIAL ACTIVITY IS EXPECTED WITHIN YEAR.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.  
Tulsa, T. Aug. 20.—Eight business men of Tulsa departed last night on their annual buying tour, and within the next ten or twenty days will purchase fully 600,000 worth of merchandise.

Six of the eight will buy exclusively in St. Louis, one will go to Chicago, while the eighth will include New York in his itinerary. Nearly all of the purchases made by these business men will be in St. Louis.

During the month of July the St. Louis and Tulsa trade relations were the Tulsa, 600,000 pounds of freight. Fully a third of this was oil-well material, another third was building material, while the remaining third was merchandise, delivered to business houses. These figures from the local station agent are official.

WHY ST. LOUIS GETS TRADE.  
In view of the fact that recently citizens of the Territory declared against buying of St. Louis wholesale houses, a search for the cause of the resumption of trade at that point was instituted this week.

An effort was first made to discover if there had been a decrease of interest locally in the buying from St. Louis houses; secondly, if the recent commercial movement of Tulsa merchants had been in support of Missouri Congressmen and business interests in favor of immediate statehood; and thirdly, if the situation had led to do with the situation.

Of the eight merchants who went to St. Louis to buy, three said they appreciated Tulsa being made a state, but the importance of those in power of the importance and justice in early statehood for Oklahoma and Indian Territory, while the rest had no sentiment in the situation, and simply bought where it was handiest.

NO SENTIMENT AGAINST ST. LOUIS.  
Some newspapers of the Territory have been conducting a campaign of education, insisting that the official act of a St. Louis citizen should not mitigate against the city where the bulk of the business is done.

If there ever was a sentiment created against St. Louis, it apparently has faded, and the Territory merchants "are doing business at the old stand."

Conditions in Indian Territory and Oklahoma both reflect upon the fact that perhaps the greatest corn crop ever grown in the two sections will be harvested this fall. The season is far enough advanced to make it absolutely sure.

Oil development this fall and winter promises to bring a new period of activity since the discovery of the crude product half a century ago.

Findings by Government officials, under Secretary Hitchcock's direction, made to protect the Indian land owners, will compel the development of every part of the Territory under lease within the year.

A bond is required when the lease is made and many thousands of dollars will be spent in the next twelve months solving the problems of the oil situation.

Coupled with these conditions will be an influx of prospectors, settlers and land buyers, with possibly capital to invest in mining, manufacturing, all of which will make a prosperous era.

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Baron Kaneko, L.L.D.,  
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Defends the  
Purposes of His  
Master, the Mikado,  
and the Character-  
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Japanese People

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